

REMARKS

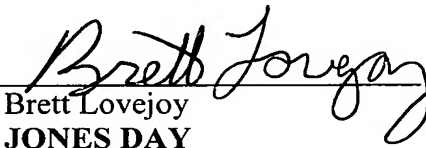
With this amendment, claim 1 has been cancelled. After entry of this amendment, the pending claims will be claims 53-65. In the October 6, 2003 Office Action, the Examiner rejected claim 1 as being anticipated by Berggren *et al.*, "An Integrated Superconductive Device Technology for Qubit Control," in Proceedings of the 1st International Conference on Experimental Implementation of Quantum Computing, Sydney, Australia, January 2001. While Applicants do not agree with the Examiner's reasoning for this rejection, they have nevertheless cancelled claim 1. Therefore, Applicants request that the rejection be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the subject application is in good and proper order for allowance. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (415) 875-5744. It is believed that no fee is due in connection with the filing of this amendment. However, should the Commissioner determine otherwise, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 503013, referencing Docket No. 706700-999186, for the appropriate amount.

Respectfully submitted,

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